

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: September 12, 2024
TOPIC: 5.2 – Pupil Transportation Update
PRESENTER: Abby Baker – Executive Director of Human Resources and Operations
REFERENCE TO POLICY/STATUTE: 707 Transportation of Public-School Students

A. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- a. The School District’s transportation department is responsible for transporting over 14,000 students per day.
- b. The district has about 88 general education and 78 special education routes that run on a daily basis.
- c. Minnesota State statute requires school districts to transport all students who live more than two miles from their school. The SoWashCo school district provides transportation for all elementary students who live more than one mile away from school, all middle school students who live more than 1.5 miles from school, and all high schooler students who live more than 2 miles from school.
- d. Staffing continues to be a focus to ensure consistent transportation is provided to families.
- e. A transportation steering committee was convened to explore solutions to the staffing problem.
- f. The task of the committee is to produce a sustainable system which will prevent cancellation of routes.
- g. A guiding change document was created for the process.
- h. An update on changes implemented for the 2024-2025 school year will be provided.

B. RECOMMENDATION

- a. No action required, information only.



C. CONNECTION TO STRATEGIC PRIORITY

- a. Student Experience
- b. Student Pathways and Systemic Supports
- c. Operations, Staffing, and Finance

